IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA SOUTHERN DIVISION

COMPLAINT	
Defendant.))
AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE COMPANY,	,))
v.) CASE NUMBER: 07-
Plaintiffs,	,
CHRISTOPHER DORTCH AND RENOSHIA KING; BERNARD AND DINAH LAMBERT; DERECK KING; WILLIAM AND LOIS EASTABROOK; DAVID AND JENNIFER ALBRITTON; AND CLEOPHUS AND DESSIE GRIMES)))))
CHRISTOPHED DODTCH AND DENOCHIA	\

COMPLAINT

NOW COME the Plaintiffs and as their Complaint against Defendant Ameriquest Mortgage Company aver as follows:

JURISDICTION

This action includes claims which arise under the statutes of the United States and this Court's jurisdiction is conferred by 28 U.S.C. § 1331.

SUMMARY OF CLAIMS

These claims arise from real estate loan transactions resulting in a mortgages upon Plaintiffs' homes, all of which are located in Mobile County, Alabama. Each of the Plaintiffs asserts claims against Defendant Ameriquest Mortgage Company ("AMC") arising under the federal Truth in Lending Act ("TILA"), 15 U.S.C. § 1601 et seq. All of the Plaintiffs' claims arise from the same general conduct, seek the same relief, rely upon the same legal theories, require application of the same legal principals and require the same or similar factual determinations. Each of the Plaintiffs alleges that AMC, the originator or each of the Plaintiffs' loans, failed to make accurate disclosures as required under TILA. Specifically, AMC failed to provide adequate notice of Plaintiffs' statutory right to cancel the transactions. As a consequence of the failure to provide adequate notice of the right to cancel, each Plaintiff has retained his or her right to cancel the transaction. Each Plaintiff has exercised that right by delivering written notice of his or her election to cancel in accordance

with the requirements of TILA. As to each of the Plaintiffs, AMC has wrongfully failed to recognize the rescission and failed to comply with its other TILA obligations with respect to Plaintiffs' loan cancellations. Each Plaintiff seeks a court determination that his or her loan transaction has been rescinded. Plaintiffs also seek statutory and actual damages for violations of TILA, plus attorney's fees and costs.

THE PARTIES

- 1. Plaintiffs are all of full age of majority and are resident citizens of Mobile County, Alabama.
- 2. Ameriquest Mortgage Company ("AMC") is a California corporation with its principal place of business at Orange, California. At all relevant times, AMC was engaged in the making, holding and/or selling of federally related residential mortgage loans. AMC does business in this district by making, holding and/or selling mortgage loans secured by residential real property within this district.

FACTS

Applicable Truth In Lending Act Requirements

- 3. Each of the Plaintiffs' loans is subject to the federal Truth in Lending Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1601 et seq., ("TILA") and its implementing regulations, 12 C.F.R. Part 226 ("Reg. Z"). TILA grants a consumer a three-day right to cancel certain types of real estate loan transactions. This three-day right to cancel applies to each of the Plaintiffs' loans.
- 4. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1635(a), the three-day cancellation period begins upon the later of the following events: (1) the "consummation of the transaction;" (2) the "delivery of the information and rescission forms" required by that section; or (3) delivery of accurate "material disclosures" required by TILA. 15 U.S.C. § 1635(a). Section 1635(a) requires that each borrower receive two (2) copies of *completed* notices specifying the precise day upon which the cancellation period expires. 12 C.F.R. § 226.23(b)(1). This notice is required to be on a separate piece of paper and it must contain the date the rescission period ends. 12 C.F.R. § 226.23(b)(1). If the required notice of cancellation is not provided, then the right to cancel extends up to three years after the date

of the loan. 15 U.S.C. § 1635(f). If a consumer has the right to rescind against a creditor, the right will also apply to any assignees of that creditor. 15 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

- 5. A consumer may exercise his right to cancel a transaction by delivery of a written notification of the consumer's election to cancel the transaction to the creditor's place of business. Notice is effective upon mailing and notice on the agent servicing the loan is effective notice on the holder of the mortgage. 12 C.F.R. § 226.23(a)(2).
- 6. When a consumer rescinds a transaction, the security interest giving rise to the right of rescission immediately becomes void and the consumer is not liable for any amount, including any finance charge. 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b).
- 7. Within twenty (20) days after the receipt of a consumer's election to cancel the transaction, the creditor must return to the consumer all money or property given, including all interest and finance charges paid, and shall take all action necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of any security interest created under the transaction. 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b), 12 C.F.R. § 226.23(d). Upon and after performance of the creditor's aforementioned obligations under 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b), including the voiding of the security interest and return to the borrower of all money received by the borrower, the borrower may have an obligation to tender the loan proceeds to creditor, to the extent practicable or equitable.
- 8. As to each of the Plaintiffs' loans AMC failed to provide the required notices of the Plaintiffs' right to cancel the loan. The form notices that were supplied to Plaintiffs were blank, unsigned and not dated. At no point at or after closing were Plaintiffs provided a completed, dated or signed notice of their right to cancel the transaction.
- 9. With respect to each of the Plaintiffs' loan, AMC included in its closing papers a document purporting to grant a "One-Week Cancellation Period." That "notice" is inherently inconsistent with the required notice and with the statutory cancellation period provided by TILA. The "One-Week" "notice" is confusing, has the effect of obscuring the borrower's actual statutory rights and violates the requirements of TILA. That notice was also delivered unsigned.
- 10. Pursuant to TILA, Section 15 U.S.C. 1635, Plaintiffs have retained a right to rescind their mortgage with respect to their loan with AMC.

- 11. Each of the Plaintiffs have exercised their right to cancel the transaction and have notified AMC of their election to cancel as required by 15 U.S.C. § 1635. As to each of the Plaintiffs, AMC has failed to take steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the security interest created in connection with Plaintiffs' loan.
 - 12. AMC is a "creditor" as that term is defined at 15 U.S.C. 1602(f).

The Dortch/King Loan

- 13. Plaintiffs Christopher Dortch and Renoshia King are married and, at all material times, resided 912 Gulf Terra Court in Mobile, Alabama.
- 14. On or about June 10, 2004, Plaintiffs Dortch and King obtained a residential real estate mortgage loan with AMC. The total amount of the loan was \$74,700 and was secured by a mortgage security interest in Plaintiffs' home. (This loan is hereinafter referred to as the "Dortch/King Loan").
- 15. AMC failed to provide the required notices of the Plaintiffs' right to cancel the Dortch/King loan. The form notices that were supplied to Plaintiffs were blank, unsigned and not dated. At no point at or after closing were Plaintiffs provided a completed, dated or signed notice of their right to cancel the transaction.
- 16. With respect to the Dortch/King loan, AMC included in its closing papers a document purporting to grant a "One-Week Cancellation Period." That "notice" is inherently inconsistent with the required notice and with the statutory cancellation period provided by TILA. The "One-Week" "notice" is confusing, has the effect of obscuring the borrower's actual statutory rights and violates the requirements of TILA. That notice was also delivered unsigned and undated.
- 17. As a result of AMC's failure to provide the notices and disclosures required by TILA, Plaintiffs Christopher Dortch and Renoshia King retained their right to cancel the transaction.
- 18. By letter dated June 5, 2007, Plaintiffs, through their attorney, notified AMC of their election to rescind the loan. In the notice, Plaintiffs offered to discuss arrangements for tender as might be required under TILA, Section 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b).
- 19. Despite having received notice of Plaintiffs' election to cancel the transaction, Defendant has failed to take any steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the

security interest created in connection with Plaintiffs' loan. The failure to take such steps is a violation of TILA Section 1635(b) and contrary to that provision's clear edict stating that said security interest is void upon delivery of the notice of the election to cancel.

20. AMC, prior to the delivery of the notice of Plaintiffs' election to cancel, retained a security interest in real estate which is used by Plaintiffs as their principal dwelling.

COUNT I TILA Violations - Dortch/King

- 21. Plaintiffs reallege all the preceding allegations referenced as if set out here in full.
- 22. Plaintiffs have properly and effectively cancelled and rescinded the loan in accordance with the rights and procedure set out in 15 U.S.C. § 1635.
- 23. Defendant has violated TILA, with respect to the Dortch/King Loan, in at least the following ways:
 - (A) By failing to take actions after rescission as required by 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b), including the steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the security interest and returning all money paid by Plaintiffs in connection with the loan; and
- (B) By failing to give proper notice of Plaintiffs' right to cancel the transaction. WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs Christopher Dortch and Renoshia King respectfully request that this Court enter judgment against AMC and in their favor, and pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1640(a), award the following relief:
 - A) Statutory damages as provided in 15 U.S.C. § 1640(a);
 - B) Actual damages in an amount to be determined at trial;
 - C) Rescission of the Dortch/King Loan, including a declaration that Plaintiffs are not liable for any finance charges or other charges imposed;
 - A declaration that the security interest in Plaintiffs' property created under the mortgage transaction is void, and an order requiring AMC to release such security interest;

- E) Return of any money or property given by the Plaintiffs to anyone, including the Defendants, in connection with the transaction;
- F) A declaration that Plaintiffs have no duty to tender the loan proceeds to AMC, but in the alternative, if tender is required, a determination of the amount of tender obligation in light of all of the Plaintiffs' claims, and an order requiring the AMC to accept tender on reasonable terms and over a reasonable period of time;
- G) An award of reasonable attorney fees and costs; and
- H) Such other relief at law or equity as this Court may deem just and proper.

The Lambert Loan

- 24. Plaintiffs Bernard and Dinah Lambert are married and, at all material times, resided 6930 Old Citronelle Highway in Eight Mile, Alabama.
- 25. On or about June 28, 2004, Plaintiffs Bernard and Dinah Lambert obtained a residential real estate mortgage loan with AMC. The total amount of the loan was \$93,672 and was secured by a mortgage security interest in Plaintiffs' home. (This loan is hereinafter referred to as the "Lambert Loan").
- 26. AMC failed to provide the required notices of the Plaintiffs' right to cancel the Lamberts' loan. The form notices that were supplied to the Lamberts were blank, unsigned and not dated. At no point at or after closing were the Lamberts provided a completed, dated or signed notice of their right to cancel the transaction.
- 27. With respect to the Lambert loan, AMC included in its closing papers a document purporting to grant a "One-Week Cancellation Period." That "notice" is inherently inconsistent with the required notice and with the statutory cancellation period provided by TILA. The "One-Week" "notice" is confusing, has the effect of obscuring the borrower's actual statutory rights and violates the requirements of TILA. That notice was also delivered unsigned and undated.
- 28. As a result of AMC's failure to provide the notices and disclosures required by TILA, the Lamberts retained their right to cancel the transaction.

- 29. By letter dated June 19, 2007, Plaintiffs, through their attorney, notified AMC of their election to rescind the loan. In the notice, Plaintiffs offered to discuss arrangements for tender as might be required under TILA, Section 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b).
- 30. Despite having received notice of Plaintiffs' election to cancel the transaction, Defendant has failed to take any steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the security interest created in connection with Plaintiffs' loan. The failure to take such steps is a violation of TILA Section 1635(b) and contrary to that provision's clear edict stating that said security interest is void upon delivery of the notice of the election to cancel.
- 31. AMC, prior to the delivery of the notice of Plaintiffs' election to cancel, retained a security interest in real estate which is used by Plaintiffs as their principal dwelling.

COUNT II TILA Violations -Lambert

- 32. Plaintiffs reallege all the preceding allegations referenced as if set out here in full.
- 33. Plaintiffs have properly and effectively cancelled and rescinded the Lambert Loan in accordance with the rights and procedure set out in 15 U.S.C. § 1635.
- 34. Defendant has violated TILA, with respect to the Lambert Loan, in at least the following ways:
 - (A) By failing to take actions after rescission as required by 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b), including the steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the security interest and returning all money paid by Plaintiffs in connection with the loan; and
 - (B) By failing to give proper notice of Plaintiffs' right to cancel the transaction.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs Bernard and Dinah Lambert respectfully request that this Court enter judgment against AMC and in their favor, and pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1640(a), award the following relief:

- A) Statutory damages as provided in 15 U.S.C. § 1640(a);
- B) Actual damages in an amount to be determined at trial;

- C) Rescission of the Lambert Loan, including a declaration that Plaintiffs are not liable for any finance charges or other charges imposed;
- D) A declaration that the security interest in Plaintiffs' property created under the mortgage transaction is void, and an order requiring AMC to release such security interest;
- E) Return of any money or property given by the Plaintiffs to anyone, including the Defendants, in connection with the transaction;
- F) A declaration that Plaintiffs have no duty to tender the loan proceeds to AMC, but in the alternative, if tender is required, a determination of the amount of tender obligation in light of all of the Plaintiffs' claims, and an order requiring the AMC to accept tender on reasonable terms and over a reasonable period of time;
- G) An award of reasonable attorney fees and costs; and
- H) Such other relief at law or equity as this Court may deem just and proper.

The King Loan

- 35. Plaintiff Derek King is an adult resident of Mobile County and, at all material times, resided 1522 Mopelier Street in Mobile, Alabama.
- 36. On or about December 4, 2004, Plaintiff Derek King obtained a residential real estate mortgage loan with AMC. The total amount of the loan was \$139,500 and was secured by a mortgage security interest in Plaintiff's home. (This loan is hereinafter referred to as the "King Loan").
- 37. AMC failed to provide the required notices of Derek King's right to cancel her loan transaction. The form notices that were supplied to Ms King were blank, unsigned and not dated. At no point at or after closing was Ms King provided a completed, dated or signed notice of their right to cancel the transaction.
- 38. With respect to the King loan, AMC included in its closing papers a document purporting to grant a "One-Week Cancellation Period." That "notice" is inherently inconsistent with the required notice and with the statutory cancellation period provided by TILA. The "One-Week"

"notice" is confusing, has the effect of obscuring the borrower's actual statutory rights and violates the requirements of TILA. That notice was also delivered unsigned and undated.

- 39. As a result of AMC's failure to provide the notices and disclosures required by TILA, the Lamberts retained their right to cancel the transaction.
- 40. By letter dated July 10, 2007, Plaintiff, through her attorney, notified AMC of her election to rescind the loan. In the notice, Plaintiff offered to discuss arrangements for tender as might be required under TILA, Section 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b).
- 41. Despite having received notice of Plaintiff's election to cancel the transaction, Defendant has failed to take any steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the security interest created in connection with Plaintiff's loan. The failure to take such steps is a violation of TILA Section 1635(b) and contrary to that provision's clear edict stating that said security interest is void upon delivery of the notice of the election to cancel.
- 42. AMC, prior to the delivery of the notice of Plaintiff's election to cancel, retained a security interest in real estate which is used by Plaintiff as her principal dwelling.

COUNT III TILA Violations - Derek King

- 43. Plaintiff realleges all the preceding allegations referenced as if set out here in full.
- 44. Plaintiff has properly and effectively cancelled and rescinded the King Loan in accordance with the rights and procedure set out in 15 U.S.C. § 1635.
- 45. Defendant has violated TILA, with respect to the King Loan, in at least the following ways:
 - (A) By failing to take actions after rescission as required by 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b), including the steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the security interest and returning all money paid by Plaintiff in connection with the loan; and
- (B) By failing to give proper notice of Plaintiff's right to cancel the transaction. WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Derek King respectfully requests that this Court enter judgment against AMC and in her favor, and pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1640(a), award the following relief:

- A) Statutory damages as provided in 15 U.S.C. § 1640(a);
- B) Actual damages in an amount to be determined at trial;
- C) Rescission of the King Loan, including a declaration that Plaintiff is not liable for any finance charges or other charges imposed;
- D) A declaration that the security interest in Plaintiff's property created under the mortgage transaction is void, and an order requiring AMC to release such security interest;
- E) Return of any money or property given by the Plaintiff to anyone, including the Defendants, in connection with the transaction;
- F) A declaration that Plaintiff has no duty to tender the loan proceeds to AMC, but in the alternative, if tender is required, a determination of the amount of tender obligation in light of all of the Plaintiff's claims, and an order requiring the AMC to accept tender on reasonable terms and over a reasonable period of time;
- G) An award of reasonable attorney fees and costs; and
- H) Such other relief at law or equity as this Court may deem just and proper.

The Eastabrook Loan

- 46. Plaintiffs William and Lois Eastabrook, husband and wife, are adult residents of Mobile County and, at all material times, resided 7368 Tung Avenue, North in Theodore, Alabama.
- 47. On or about April 5, 2005, the Eastabrooks obtained a residential real estate mortgage loan with AMC. The total amount of the loan was \$138,0840 and was secured by a mortgage security interest in Plaintiffs' home. (This loan is hereinafter referred to as the "Eastabrook Loan").
- 48. AMC failed to provide the required notices of the Eastabrooks; right to cancel their loan. The form notices that were supplied to the Eastabrooks were blank, unsigned and not dated. At no point at or after closing were they provided a completed, dated or signed notice of their right to cancel the transaction.

- 49. With respect to the Eastabrook loan, AMC included in its closing papers a document purporting to grant a "One-Week Cancellation Period." That "notice" is inherently inconsistent with the required notice and with the statutory cancellation period provided by TILA. The "One-Week" "notice" is confusing, has the effect of obscuring the borrower's actual statutory rights and violates the requirements of TILA. That notice was also delivered unsigned and undated.
- 50. As a result of AMC's failure to provide the notices and disclosures required by TILA, the Eastabrooks retained their right to cancel the transaction.
- 51. By letter dated June 21, 2007, Plaintiffs, through their attorney, notified AMC of their election to rescind the loan. In the notice, Plaintiffs offered to discuss arrangements for tender as might be required under TILA, Section 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b).
- 52. Despite having received notice of Plaintiffs' election to cancel the transaction, Defendant has failed to take any steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the security interest created in connection with Plaintiffs' loan. The failure to take such steps is a violation of TILA Section 1635(b) and contrary to that provision's clear edict stating that said security interest is void upon delivery of the notice of the election to cancel.
- 53. AMC, prior to the delivery of the notice of Plaintiffs' election to cancel, retained a security interest in real estate which is used by Plaintiffs as their principal dwelling.

COUNT IV TILA Violations - Eastabrook

- 54. Plaintiff realleges all the preceding allegations referenced as if set out here in full.
- 55. Plaintiff has properly and effectively cancelled and rescinded the Eastabrook Loan in accordance with the rights and procedure set out in 15 U.S.C. § 1635.
- 56. Defendant has violated TILA, with respect to the Eastabrook Loan, in at least the following ways:
 - (A) By failing to take actions after rescission as required by 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b), including the steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the

- security interest and returning all money paid by Plaintiff in connection with the loan; and
- (B) By failing to give proper notice of Plaintiff's right to cancel the transaction. WHEREFORE, Plaintiff's William and Lois Eastabrook respectfully request that this Court enter judgment against AMC and in her favor, and pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1640(a), award the following relief:
 - A) Statutory damages as provided in 15 U.S.C. § 1640(a);
 - B) Actual damages in an amount to be determined at trial;
 - C) Rescission of the Eastabrook Loan, including a declaration that Plaintiffs are not liable for any finance charges or other charges imposed;
 - D) A declaration that the security interest in Plaintiffs' property created under the mortgage transaction is void, and an order requiring AMC to release such security interest;
 - E) Return of any money or property given by the Plaintiffs to anyone, including the Defendants, in connection with the transaction;
 - F) A declaration that Plaintiffs have no duty to tender the loan proceeds to AMC, but in the alternative, if tender is required, a determination of the amount of tender obligation in light of all of the Plaintiff's claims, and an order requiring the AMC to accept tender on reasonable terms and over a reasonable period of time;
 - G) An award of reasonable attorney fees and costs; and
 - H) Such other relief at law or equity as this Court may deem just and proper.

The Albritton Loan

57. Plaintiffs David and Jennifer Albritton are married and, at all material times, resided 6715 Williams Way, E., in Eight Mile, Alabama.

- 58. On or about January 19, 2005, Plaintiffs David and Jennifer Albritton obtained a residential real estate mortgage loan with AMC. The total amount of the loan was \$99,000 and was secured by a mortgage security interest in Plaintiffs' home. (This loan is hereinafter referred to as the "Albritton Loan").
- 59. AMC failed to provide the required notices of the Plaintiffs' right to cancel the Albrittons' loan. The form notices that were supplied to the Albrittons were blank, unsigned and not dated. At no point at or after closing were the Albrittons provided a completed, dated or signed notice of their right to cancel the transaction.
- 60. With respect to the Albritton loan, AMC included in its closing papers a document purporting to grant a "One-Week Cancellation Period." That "notice" is inherently inconsistent with the required notice and with the statutory cancellation period provided by TILA. The "One-Week" "notice" is confusing, has the effect of obscuring the borrower's actual statutory rights and violates the requirements of TILA. That notice was also delivered unsigned and undated.
- 61. As a result of AMC's failure to provide the notices and disclosures required by TILA, the Albrittons retained their right to cancel the transaction.
- 62. By letter dated June 19, 2007, Plaintiffs, through their attorney, notified AMC of their election to rescind the loan. In the notice, Plaintiffs offered to discuss arrangements for tender as might be required under TILA, Section 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b).
- 63. Despite having received notice of Plaintiffs' election to cancel the transaction, Defendant has failed to take any steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the security interest created in connection with Plaintiffs' loan. The failure to take such steps is a violation of TILA Section 1635(b) and contrary to that provision's clear edict stating that said security interest is void upon delivery of the notice of the election to cancel.
- 64. AMC, prior to the delivery of the notice of Plaintiffs' election to cancel, retained a security interest in real estate which is used by Plaintiffs as their principal dwelling.

COUNT V TILA Violations - Albritton

- 65. Plaintiffs reallege all the preceding allegations referenced as if set out here in full.
- 66. Plaintiffs have properly and effectively cancelled and rescinded the Albritton Loan in accordance with the rights and procedure set out in 15 U.S.C. § 1635.
- 67. Defendant has violated TILA, with respect to the Albritton Loan, in at least the following ways:
 - (A) By failing to take actions after rescission as required by 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b), including the steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the security interest and returning all money paid by Plaintiffs in connection with the loan; and
- (B) By failing to give proper notice of Plaintiffs' right to cancel the transaction. WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs David and Jennifer Albritton respectfully request that this Court enter judgment against AMC and in their favor, and pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1640(a), award the following relief:
 - A) Statutory damages as provided in 15 U.S.C. § 1640(a);
 - B) Actual damages in an amount to be determined at trial;
 - C) Rescission of the Albritton Loan, including a declaration that Plaintiffs are not liable for any finance charges or other charges imposed;
 - D) A declaration that the security interest in Plaintiffs' property created under the mortgage transaction is void, and an order requiring AMC to release such security interest;
 - E) Return of any money or property given by the Plaintiffs to anyone, including the Defendants, in connection with the transaction;
 - F) A declaration that Plaintiffs have no duty to tender the loan proceeds to AMC, but in the alternative, if tender is required, a determination of the amount of tender

- obligation in light of all of the Plaintiffs' claims, and an order requiring the AMC to accept tender on reasonable terms and over a reasonable period of time;
- G) An award of reasonable attorney fees and costs; and
- H) Such other relief at law or equity as this Court may deem just and proper.

The Grimes Loan

- 68. Plaintiffs Cleophus and Dessie Grimes are married and, at all material times, resided 2455 Buena Drive North in Mobile, Alabama.
- 69. On or about July 1, 2004, Plaintiffs Cleophus and Dessie Grimes obtained a residential real estate mortgage loan with AMC. The total amount of the loan was \$70,000 and was secured by a mortgage security interest in Plaintiffs' home. (This loan is hereinafter referred to as the "Grimes Loan").
- 70. AMC failed to provide the required notices of the Plaintiffs' right to cancel the Grimes' loan. The form notices that were supplied to the Grimes were blank, unsigned and not dated. At no point at or after closing were the Grimes provided a completed, dated or signed notice of their right to cancel the transaction.
- 71. With respect to the Grimes loan, AMC included in its closing papers a document purporting to grant a "One-Week Cancellation Period." That "notice" is inherently inconsistent with the required notice and with the statutory cancellation period provided by TILA. The "One-Week" "notice" is confusing, has the effect of obscuring the borrower's actual statutory rights and violates the requirements of TILA. That notice was also delivered unsigned and undated.
- 72. As a result of AMC's failure to provide the notices and disclosures required by TILA, the Grimes retained their right to cancel the transaction.
- 73. By letter dated June 21, 2007, Plaintiffs, through their attorney, notified AMC of their election to rescind the loan. In the notice, Plaintiffs offered to discuss arrangements for tender as might be required under TILA, Section 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b).

- 74. Despite having received notice of Plaintiffs' election to cancel the transaction, Defendant has failed to take any steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the security interest created in connection with Plaintiffs' loan. The failure to take such steps is a violation of TILA Section 1635(b) and contrary to that provision's clear edict stating that said security interest is void upon delivery of the notice of the election to cancel.
- 75. AMC, prior to the delivery of the notice of Plaintiffs' election to cancel, retained a security interest in real estate which is used by Plaintiffs as their principal dwelling.

COUNT VI TILA Violations -Grimes

- 76. Plaintiffs reallege all the preceding allegations referenced as if set out here in full.
- 77. Plaintiffs have properly and effectively cancelled and rescinded the Grimes Loan in accordance with the rights and procedure set out in 15 U.S.C. § 1635.
- 78. Defendant has violated TILA, with respect to the Grimes Loan, in at least the following ways:
 - (A) By failing to take actions after rescission as required by 15 U.S.C. § 1635(b), including the steps necessary or appropriate to reflect the termination of the security interest and returning all money paid by Plaintiffs in connection with the loan; and
- (B) By failing to give proper notice of Plaintiffs' right to cancel the transaction. WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs Cleophus and Dessie respectfully request that this Court enter judgment against AMC and in their favor, and pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1640(a), award the following relief:
 - A) Statutory damages as provided in 15 U.S.C. § 1640(a);
 - B) Actual damages in an amount to be determined at trial;
 - C) Rescission of the Grimes Loan, including a declaration that Plaintiffs are not liable for any finance charges or other charges imposed;

- D) A declaration that the security interest in Plaintiffs' property created under the mortgage transaction is void, and an order requiring AMC to release such security interest;
- E) Return of any money or property given by the Plaintiffs to anyone, including the Defendants, in connection with the transaction;
- F) A declaration that Plaintiffs have no duty to tender the loan proceeds to AMC, but in the alternative, if tender is required, a determination of the amount of tender obligation in light of all of the Plaintiffs' claims, and an order requiring the AMC to accept tender on reasonable terms and over a reasonable period of time;
- G) An award of reasonable attorney fees and costs; and
- H) Such other relief at law or equity as this Court may deem just and proper.

EACH OF THE PLAINTIFFS DEMANDS THAT BY JURY ON

TRIABLE.

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DEFENDANT AMC TO BE SERVED BY CERTIFIED MAIL AS FOLLOWS:

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